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Title: BONE MORPHOGENETIC PROTEIN ANTAGONIST BASED ON THE

MATURE PROTEIN

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.